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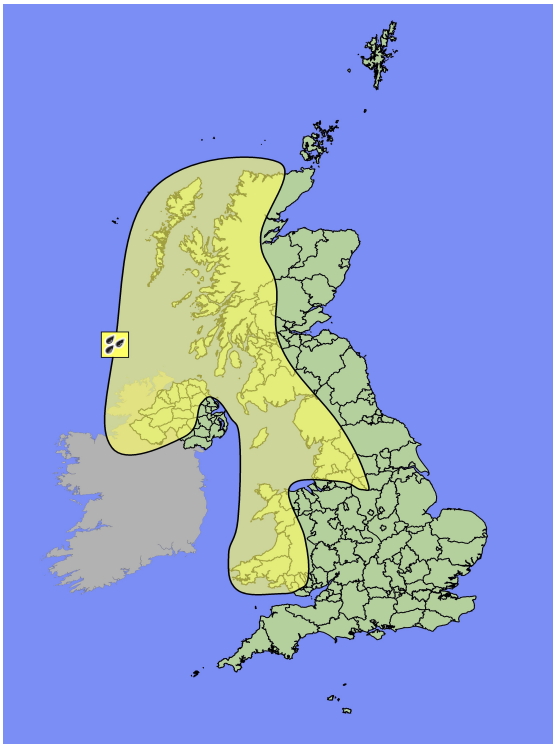

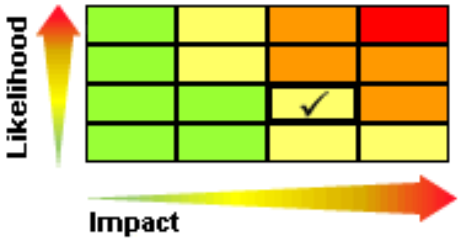

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An active frontal system will move southeastwards across the UK during today. This is already bringing prolonged rain, heavy at times to northwestern areas and will extend to many other western regions through the rest of the day. Accumulations of 40 to 60 mm of rain are possible over high ground in parts of Wales, northwest England, western Scotland and the north and west of Northern Ireland and may lead to localised flooding, as the ground is already saturated from recent heavy rain. Winds will also strengthen, and whilst not as strong as during Tuesday gusts of 60-70 mph are likely this evening over exposed coasts and hills.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **11:00 on Wed, 04th Jan 2012** until **23:59 on Wed, 04th Jan 2012**

Rain is now becoming persistent and heavier across western Scotland and northern and western parts of Northern Ireland. This will extend to western parts of Northern England and to much of Wales during the rest of the day. Winds will continue to increase with the risk of severe gales for coasts and hills during the evening. The public should be aware of the risk of disruption from localised flooding and also from the strong winds this evening.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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  - Eilean Siar
  - Highland
- North West England
  - Blackburn with Darwen
  - Blackpool
  - Cumbria
  - Greater Manchester
  - Lancashire
  - Merseyside
  - Warrington
- Northern Ireland
  - County Antrim
  - County Armagh
  - County Fermanagh
  - County Londonderry
  - County Tyrone
- SW Scotland, Lothian Borders
  - Dumfries and Galloway
- Strathclyde
  - Argyll and Bute
  - East Ayrshire
  - East Dunbartonshire
  - East Renfrewshire
  - Glasgow
  - Inverclyde
  - North Ayrshire
  - North Lanarkshire
  - Renfrewshire
  - South Ayrshire
  - South Lanarkshire
  - West Dunbartonshire
- Wales
  - Blaenau Gwent
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  - Caerphilly
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